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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 37 C.F.R. 1.97, and 37 C.F.R. 1.98, Applicant requests that a citation and examination of the references cited below, and on the attached PTO-1449 form, copies of which are enclosed, be made during the course of examination of the above-identified application for United States patent.

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Enclosed please find a copy of the International Search Report for "COATING REINFORCING UNDERLAYMENT AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING SAME," PCT Application Serial No. PCT/US2003/36604, Attorney Docket No. 6491800-0116. Applicant is filing this Supplement Information Disclosure Statement to reflect the references cited in the Report.

Applicant looks forward to early and favorable consideration of this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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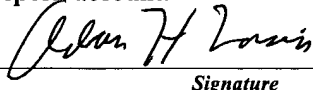
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